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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**  
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/993,413, filed on November 5, 2001, entitled LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY APPARATUS, by Shuji YONEDA and Noaki MASAZUMI, inventors.

A Petition for One-Month Extension of Time is being submitted concurrently herewith.

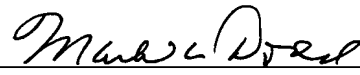
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Please enter the Preliminary Amendment, filed concurrently herewith, wherein claims 1, 5, 10, and 14 have been amended, claims 2, 7, 8, 12, and 13 are cancelled, and claims 15-20 have been added.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form authorizing the amount of \$1,310.00 (\$790.00 for the filing fee for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), \$400.00 for the excess claim fee, and \$120.00 for the one-month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)), to be charged to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260 is enclosed herewith in duplicate. However, if the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form is missing, insufficient, or otherwise inadequate, or if a fee, other than the issue fee, is required during the pendency of this application, please charge such fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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